IN THE SPECIFICATION

Please amend Page 9, Lines 12-20 [Paragraph 0030] as follows:

FIGURE 1 illustrates a prior art structure 100 of a semiconductor device in which a via is to

be formed. Prior art structure 100 comprises a substrate 110. A metal layer 120 is placed on the

substrate 110. Metal layer 120 serves as an interconnect metal that will connect the via (not shown

in FIGURE 1) to other portions of the semiconductor device. An anti-reflective coating (ARC)

titanium nitride (TiN) layer 130 is then placed on metal layer 120. A dielectric layer (e.g., silicon

dioxide) is then placed on the ART Tin ARC TiN layer 130.

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